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RE: STB Docket No. AB-33 (Sub-No. 243X)

Please be advised that this office has recently been made aware of the proposed abandonment of the Barber-Green Spur in DeKalb County, Illinois. We are in contact with officials from the City of DeKalb and the DeKalb Park District and believe that portions of the property may well be suitable for public purposes.

As the owner of property on either side of this former spur from County Farm Road to Barber Greene Road the County of DeKalb itself is interested in acquiring title to this portion of the abandoned property.

We have provided copies of your letter of December 14, 2006 to City officials and expect that they will contact you directly with regard to their possible public uses as will the DeKalb Park District.

Please advise this office as to what must be done to secure our interests in this matter.

Sincerely,

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